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WRITTEN AT RANDOLPH.

Mr. Oscar Turner, of Louisville,

passed through the city yesterday

en route to Arkansas on a bear hunt.

"I came down last night," he said,

"and must say that I never saw as

many hunters before in all my life.

The woods are full of them every

where, and aboard the train I came

down on three or four different

parties, all going in different di-
rections, or wherever they thought they

could obtain the best sport."

Mr. Turner is quite a sportsman

and belongs to the Fox Hunting As-
sociation, spending several hours in

the saddle night before last in the

Barndown chase. He went down to

join Mr. George Robertson's bear

brigade. When last heard from Mr.

Robertson had killed seven bears.

Habitués of "Dry River Front"

were regaled with a thrilling incident

yesterday. Three bawdy dames

went out in the three deserted

streets and caught an odoriferous Wil-

liam Goat. They rallied round the

beast and attempted to accomplish

the somewhat uncertain feat of lower-

ing his head to the ground. Sir

William at first dallied indifferently

with his feminine tormentors, but

finally became a little offended, and

then a scene that rivaled the Reign

of Terror ensued. He hit like the

destruction of Pompeii and with the

force and regularity of a pile-driver,

and one after another the femi-

nales sank down in ignominious de-

feat and the gutter. The alliter-

ous account of "how the water

comes down Lodore" fittingly de-

scribes it, especially that portion

about "falling and sprawling and

howling and crawling." They

couldn't escape until the goat be-

came wea'y. He then winked the

other eye and might pasture new

and victims greener.

A large tree that stood for years

in the Brooks' infirmary was cut

down yesterday, and the heart was

blood red, the crimson ramifications

extending throughout every limb.

The tree thrived and grew, up to

the time the building was converted

into an infirmary, and then, strange

to say, it began to decay and de-

stroy, and finally had to be cut down.

Dr. Brooks noticed the unusual color

of the interior wood, and jocosely

remarked to an old colored man, that

he had bled so many people, both

literally and figuratively, since he

turned the house into a hospital, he

supposed that even the trees had

changed color in sympathy.

"Yais, boss," replied the old man,

"I fo't 'bouten dat w'en I seed all

dat blood. I see 'em 'dem same

flugs afo'." Now de bushes an'

bushels ob blood yo's split an' got

to gwine sum w'en so w'en it

gwine to? Rat down in de bottom

ob dat tree, sho's de wah's ober. An

ef yo' keeps it up, all yo' nabos'

trees will drink at de fountain ob

blood and dey'll all git red an'

keep a gittin' red, an' den—an den

de angh ob de just god will be

wited upon yo'!" After dispensing

the above philosophy the old fellow

shook his head warningly and left.

A reporter on a contemporary

dropped in at the Union Depot yester-

day to see if they were running

things to suit him. He is good at

remembering faces, and on the plat-

form saw, as he supposed, Traveling

Auditor Adams, of the Illinois Cen-

tral.

He rushed up, gave him the glad

hand and a friendly pat on the back,

and exclaimed with the usual joy

feigned by a newspaper reporter,

"Why good morning, Mr. Adams!"

The gentleman turned and with

equal cordiality replied, "Good

morning, sir, a beautiful day, very

beautiful indeed." They shook

hands, and the reporter fastened his

patent automatic double action cen-

tre fire information pump to the gen-

tleman's overcoat collar and went to

work with enthusiasm and a will.

"Understand there's a detective

out at the shops, playing in the role

of a watchman," he murmured ten-

tatively.

"That so?" inquired the other,

"who told you about it?"

"Oh, you know we fellows hear

everything," was the modest but

evasive rejoinder.

"First I'd heard of it," the gen-

tleman observed, and the reporter be-

gan to conceive a horrible suspicion

that his force pump was out of

order.

"You've shaved your beard off,

haven't you?" he asked.

"Yep, got a shave this morning."

The gentleman seemed to think his

new found acquaintance was getting

a little person.

"How's everything on the road,"

was the next inquiry.

"Everything is lovely, and our

business is picking up every day.

Can't complain—no, can't com-

plain," and he flipped his cigar

stump away and turned to watch the

other passengers.

"I suppose yours is the greatest

company on earth? known every-

where I guess?" This was encour-

aging.

"Yes, we have a wide acquaint-

ance; and, by the way, let me take

your order for the latest thing out.

The only thing on earth! Keeps

your trousers always creased; pre-

vents bagging at the knees and is

perfectly moth proof."

The reporter gasped and asked to

be excused a minute. He didn't

come back either, and there was no

interview in the paper with Auditor

Adams, of the I. C., because Mr.

Adams was not in the city.

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